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Hongkong, September 29, 1880. oc8

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Hongkong, September 20, 1880.

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L. B. FRIEND,

Clerk of the Course.

29th September, 1880.

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of events in China and Japan, contributed in original reports and collated

from the journals published at the various

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It contains Shipping news from Shanghai,

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HEAD OFFICE, HONGKONG.

Position of the Company at the close of the

last financial year, the 30th April, 1880.

CAPITAL SUBSCRIBED.....\$1,000,000.00

CAPITAL PAID-UP.....\$300,000.00

RESERVE FUND.....\$425,000.00

BALANCE UNDIVIDED.....\$70,278.43

DIVIDEND PAID TO SHAREHOLDERS.....\$10 per Annum.

HOLDERS.....\$10 per Annum.

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A. MCLELLAN, Superintendent.

Hongkong, September 20, 1880.

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IN CONNECTION WITH THE

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AND

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CHAS. H. HABWELL, Jr.,

Agent.

Hongkong, September 27, 1880.

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NOTICE.

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MARITIMES.

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STEAM FOR

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POINT DE GALLE,

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ALSO,

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Hongkong, October 15, 1880.

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ESTABLISHED 1824.

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THE Undersigned have been appointed

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Hongkong, July 6, 1875.

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at the rates of Premium current at

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JAS. B. COUGHTRIE,

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Hongkong, November 1, 1871.

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Hongkong, January 1, 1874.

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Intimations.

THE CHINA REVIEW.

THE widely-expressed regret at the discontinuance of *Notes & Queries* on *China and Japan*, has induced the publishers of this journal to issue a publication similar in object and style, but slightly modified in certain details.

THE CHINA REVIEW, or *Notes and Queries on the Far East*, is issued at intervals of two months, each number containing about 90 octavo pages, occasionally illustrated with lithographs, photographs, woodcuts, &c., should the papers be published demand, and the circulation justify, such extra matter.

The subscription is fixed at \$6.50 postage paid per annum, payable by non-residents in Hongkong half-yearly in advance.

The publication includes papers original and selected upon the Arts and Sciences, Ethnology, Folklore, Geography, History, Literature, Mythology, Maniera and Customs, Natural History, Religion, &c., &c., of China, Japan, Mongolia, Tibet, the Eastern Archipelago and the "Far East" generally. A more detailed list of subjects upon which contributions are especially invited is incorporated with each number. Original contributions in Chinese, Latin, French, German, Spanish, Italian or Portuguese, are admissible. Endowments are made to present a resume in each number of the contents of the most recent works bearing on Chinese matters. Great attention is also paid to the Review department.

Notes and Replies are classified together as "Notes" (their references being given, when furnished), to previous Notes or Queries, or are also those queries which through asking for information, furnish new or unpublished details concerning the matter in hand. It is desirable to make the Queries proper as brief and as much to the point as possible.

The *China Review* for July and August, 1875, is at hand. It says that forty-two essays were sent in to compete for the best paper on the advantages of Christianity for the development of a state. All our learned societies should subscribe to this scholarly and enterprising *Review*. It is a sixty-page, bi-monthly, repository of what scholars are ascertaining about China. The lecture on Chinese Poetry in this volume is alone worth the price of the *Review*. Address *China Review*, Hongkong.—Northern Christian Advocate (U.S.)

Truber's *Oriental Record* contains the following notice of the *China Review*:—"This is the title of a publication, the first number of which has lately reached us from Hongkong, where it has been set on foot as in some respects a continuation of *Notes & Queries on China and Japan*, the execution of which useful serial a year or two ago has been much regretted in Europe as well as in China. This present publication, judging by the number now before us, is intended to occupy a position, as regards China and the neighbouring countries, somewhat similar to that which has been filled in India by the *Castalia Review*. The great degree of attention that has been bestowed by late years upon the investigation of Chinese Literature, antiquities, and social developments, to say nothing of linguistic studies, has led to the accumulation of important stores of information, rendering some such channel of publicity as is now provided extremely desirable; and contributions of much interest may fairly be looked for from the members of the foreign consular services, the Chinese Customs' corps, and the missionary body, among whom a high degree of Chinese scholarship is now abundantly cultivated, and who are severally represented in the first number of the *Review* by papers highly creditable to their respective authors. In a paper on Dr. Legge's *She King*, by the Rev. E. J. Eitel, to which the place of honour is deservedly given, the author has ingeniously presented the chronological problems and arguments involved in connection with this important work. Some translations from Chinese novels and plays are marked by both accuracy and freshness of style, and an account of the career of the Chinese post-station of the eleventh century, Su Tung-p'o, by Mr. E. G. Bowra, is not only historically valuable, but is also distinguished by its literary grace. Beside notices of new books relating to China and the East, which will be a useful feature of the *Review*, if carried out with punctuality and detail, we are glad to notice that "Notes" and "Queries" are destined to find a place in its pages also. It is to be hoped that this opening for contributions on Chinese subjects may evoke a similar degree of literary zeal to that which was displayed during the lifetime of its predecessor in the field, and that the *China Review* may receive the support necessary to insure its continuance. The publication is intended to appear every two months, and will form a substantial octavo magazine.

THE CHINESE MAIL.

The paper is now issued every day. The subscription is fixed at Four Dollars per annum delivered to Hongkong, or Seven Dollars Fifty Cents including postage to Coast ports.

It is the first Chinese Newspaper ever issued under purely native direction. The chief support of the paper is of course derived from the native community, amongst whom also are to be found the guarantors and securities necessary to place it on a business and legal footing.

The projectors, basing their estimates upon the most reliable information from the various Ports of China and Japan, from Australia, California, Singapore, Penang, Siam, and other countries frequented by Chinese, consider themselves justified in guaranteeing an ultimate circulation of between 3,000 and 4,000 copies. The advantages offered to advertisers are therefore unusually great, and the foreign community generally will find it to their interest to avail themselves of them.

The field open to a paper of this description—conducted by native efforts, but progressive and anti-obstructive in tone—in almost limitless. It on the one hand commands Chinese belief and interest while on the other deserves every aid that can be given to it by foreigners. Like English journals it contains Editorials, with Local, Shipping, and Commercial News and Advertisements.

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Two Coolies, 70

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Three Hours, 5

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(Revised June 23, 1880.)

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Letters, 30
Registration, None
Newspapers, 5
Books & Patterns, 10

Australia, New Zealand, Tasmania, and Fiji, via Torres Straits, Letters, 12; Registration, 10; Newspapers, 2; Books and Patterns, 4; via Galle, Letters, 25; Registration, 10; Newspapers, 2; Books and Patterns, 5.

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5. No compensation can be made for damage to fragile articles such as portraits, watches, hand-made bound books, &c., which reach their destination, although in a broken or deteriorated condition.

6. Many Money Orders are supplied to residents in the smaller Posts in this way. An application for an order is filled up, and enclosed with a stamped, directed, and unsealed envelope to the Postmaster at the nearest issuing office. The application must be accompanied by the full amount (including commission) in cheque, postage stamp, or other equivalent of cash, and a little margin should be left for variations of exchange. The Postmaster issues the order, sends it on in the envelope, and returns the change, if any, by first opportunity, with a receipt for the letter, if it were to be registered, as it always should be. Care should be taken to send these applications in time, as the Money Order Offices close some hours before the departure of the mails.

7.—No order must exceed \$10, or \$50, or include any fraction of a penny, nor will more than two such orders be issued to the same person, in favour of the same payee, by the same mail. Orders will be drawn at the current rate of the day, and paid at the rate of the day when the advice arrived.

The commission is as follows:—
Orders on the United Kingdom:—
Up to 22, 18 cents.

23, 20; 36, 22

27, 54, 30

29, 72, 48

Local and Intercolonial Orders:—
Up to \$25 or £5, 25 cents.

\$50 or £10, 50